

# EVERYBODY HAS BEEN SURPRISED

By the Transfer of the 235th To Belleville—Cobourg's Opinion.

Concerning the removal of the 235th to Belleville the Cobourg Sentinel-Star had this to say:— Considerable discussion is now taking place regarding the mysterious transfer of the 235th Northumberland and Durham Battalion, to Belleville, and it would seem that some sort of explanation would be in order. A despatch from Belleville published in Wednesday's issue of the Toronto Star endeavors to give reasons, but only succeeds in making the whole subject more perplexing. The despatch states that: "There was no accommodation for the housing of a full battalion as is now required by the Militia Headquarters, and as a last resort divisional headquarters was appealed to and much to the surprise of the entire battalion the order was given to move to Belleville."

It is possible that the writer of the despatch was unaware that during last winter the 136th Battalion wintered in Durham County and the 139 Battalion in Northumberland, and does it not seem strange that the territory which took care of two battalions less than a year ago is now insufficient to accommodate one?

According to the despatch referred to the battalion was surprised at being ordered to Belleville. No doubt, whoever wrote it was in possession of the facts, but if some of the stories that one hears be true the surprise of Divisional Headquarters Staff when they learn that they ordered the transfer will be even greater, for it is said that the Chief Recruiting Officer of the District had left Kingston to pay a visit to the Battalion, and that when he arrived at the place they were supposed to be, he found that they had gone, and talking about surprises, will not the patriotic societies throughout the county, be more surprised than anybody else when they learn that any "insinuation that promises had been made which had not been fulfilled is absolutely incorrect?" Won't the good people who contributed so generously to the funds of the Battalion under the impression that it was a county battalion be surprised to find that they were mistaken, and won't all the municipal officers throughout the county, be surprised to learn that no promises had been made regarding the wintering of troops?

The following is a copy of the resolution passed at a meeting of the citizens of Cobourg Friday evening as a result of the 235th Battalion being taken to Belleville for the winter:

Whereas it has been stated frequently by responsible parties and has been extensively published in the press, that it is proposed to remove the headquarters of the 235th Northumberland and Durham Battalion to a point outside the county, and whereas at this meeting of the citizens of Cobourg, has been duly called and has discussed the situation, be it resolved that this meeting place itself on record as follows:

1. That there is ample accommodation in the different towns throughout the district in which to comfortably provide winter accommodation for the officers and men of the battalion, as evidenced by the fact that during the previous winter two battalions were provided for in the same territory. But it is to be the desire of the military authorities to keep the battalion together, Cobourg at least, (and we are aware that other towns in the counties make similar claims) is in a position to afford ample ac-

commodation for all the battalion, and not only housing accommodation, but sufficient grounds for drilling purposes, excellent hospital facilities, good water, first-class armory, and every other requisite for the proper conduct of the battalion. In proof of this we would refer to the reports on the different items mentioned and which are on file at the Headquarters of the 3rd Military District.

2. It would be a breach of faith with the men in the Battalion, citizens of the Counties of Northumberland and Durham, who prior to enlistment were promised by the officers of the Battalion, privately, and on many occasions publicly, that they would be permitted to stay at their point of enlistment till the Battalion was mobilized for overseas service.

3. While the different organizations in the various towns throughout the counties were not actuated by anything but patriotic motives and the citizens of Cobourg here assembled, look only on the question from the broadest standpoint; nevertheless, these organizations in assisting in the work of recruiting and in generously supplying money for the Battalion funds, did receive promises regarding the wintering of troops in the different towns, therefore, we cannot regard the proposed removal of the battalion headquarters to a point outside the county as anything but most unfair.

4. The removal of the battalion would seriously effect recruiting in the counties, and in the opinion of those of the citizens who have had the most experience in this work would virtually bring it to a standstill.

Therefore, we the citizens of Cobourg, do protest vigorously against any removal of the headquarters of the 235th Battalion to a point outside the counties, believing that such a removal would be the grossest kind of a breach of faith, detrimental to the best interests of the Battalion itself and fatal to the work of recruiting in the counties.

**ROYAL YEAST**  
MAKES PERFECT BREAD

**ROYAL YEAST**  
MAKES PERFECT BREAD

THE latest news of the town and surrounding neighborhood given in an interesting manner.

**BUSY TRENTON**

OUR Daily News Letter from this thriving town furnished by The Ontario's Special Correspondent.

TRENTON, Oct. 29, 1916. — This morning at 10.20 an alarm of fire was rung in from the residence of Mr. Waldron, College St. The brigade made a hurried run and were ready for water if necessary. The fire, which started in the wood box, presumably from a spark from the stove, was extinguished without the aid of the firemen. Practically no damage was done.

**Clearwater.**—To Mr. and Mrs. Clearwater, Dundas St., in Belleville Hospital, on Oct. 18th, a son.

**McLaughlin—Allore**

On October the 26th, 1916, Miss Annie Allore, youngest daughter of our popular lumber merchant, Mr. Edward Allore, was united in marriage to Mr. J. J. McLaughlin, of Toronto, a highly respected employee of the C. N. E. at Ottawa. The bride was charmingly attired in a suit of blue broadcloth and wore a hat with fur and metal trimming and jet banding, while a white fox stole, one of the season's latest novelties gave to the young bride all the innocence of her childhood days and was also in keeping with the handsome bouquet of lily of the valley carried by her. Miss Allore who was a devoted member of the Sodality of the Children of Mary, also carried a pearl rosary and white

Prayer Book, the gift of the Society. Miss Minnie Allore, sister of the bride wore a nobby nigger brown gaberdine suit with a picturesque hat and stole similar to that of the bride's. She carried a bouquet of pink American beauty roses which made the autumn day appear like a balmy day of June. The groom was assisted by Mr. Harry Leclair, 533 Bloor St., Toronto. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. J. Connolly, officiating pastor at mass at 7.30 a.m. While the bride was proceeding to the altar on the arm of her father, the wedding march was played. During the Holy Mass the members of the choir, of which Miss Allore was also a member, and had willingly shared in the past to render by her voice, sweet music for her companions, was given a likewise treat to make this event a most happy one. Miss Allore who by her genial manner had won for herself hosts of friends was the recipient of many beautiful gifts.

After the ceremony the party returned to the home of the bride, on Front St., where a sumptuous breakfast was served. The happy couple left on the west bound express for Buffalo and New York amid showers of rice and good wishes. Mr. and Mrs. McLaughlin will be at home to their friends after Nov. 15th at 181 Gould-bourn Ave., Toronto.

each but are very scarce.  
Honey retails at 11c for dark; 13c for clover.  
Shoats are offered at \$8 per pair  
Chickens sold at 80c to \$1.25 per pair and ducks at \$1.50 per pair  
Butter was up to 44c and 45c per pound and eggs stood at 42c.

## WHY THE 235TH CAME THIS WAY

Towns Up the Line Had Not Sufficient Accommodation for Entire Battalion.

In reference to the battalion moving to Belleville one of the 235th writes the Toronto Star as follows: With reference to the despatch appearing in Monday's Star under the heading "Two Counties Angry Over Broken Promises," several corrections and explanations are necessary in presenting this subject in a proper light to the public. The insinuation that promises had been made which have not been fulfilled is absolutely incorrect. Lieut.-Col. S. B. Scobell, O.C. 235th Battalion, C.E.F., had promised that headquarters would be made in Bowmanville, assuming that suitable accommodation would be provided by the town or its public spirited citizens and although the Battalion was on a trek through the counties for over six weeks nothing had been done to better conditions, so that when bad weather came on much sickness through exposure was the result. There was no accommodation for the quartering of a full battalion as is now required by militia headquarters, and as a last resort divisional headquarters was appealed to, and, much to the surprise of the entire battalion the order was given to move to Belleville, where suitable quarters were available without extra expenditure.

As to the accommodation in the several towns mentioned, only one company of 136th Battalion was billeted at Port Hope, Cobourg Armouries can house but 255 men, by actual count, whereas the battalion is now over 500 strong. Cobourg and Brighton had not been promised any troops for the winter, Campbellford was promised a company for the winter, providing one could be raised there.

It must not be overlooked that in choosing winter quarters for a battalion proper accommodation for the men is first consideration, and next the prospect of securing recruits from the town in which the battalion is located. Cobourg to date has only contributed five men to the 235th Battalion, and Bowmanville less than 40 men, so that results so far, and prospects of securing recruits in these towns are not very promising. Col. Scobell has been persistent in having his battalion located in Bowmanville, his home town, but there not being suitable quarters and the town not being willing to assist the government in sharing the expense of fitting up buildings, there was no alternative but to appeal to headquarters for assistance. Why should the country be put to the expense of \$7,000 or \$8,000 in fitting up quarters when no extra expense was necessary to house the men in Belleville?

Lieut. J. V. Caldwell of the Div. Signal Co., Ottawa, is home for a few days on his last leave

## GIRLS TO WORK ON ONTARIO FARMS.

Toronto, Oct. 28.—Girls can work as farmers next year, as boys did this year, and still get their academic standing according to regulations issued by the Department of Education. These regulations make it clear this year that this work must be done in Ontario farms. During 1916 some boys made the mistake of going to harvest on the plains.

The department has for the school year 1916-17 made some amendments to the regulations of January and March, 1916, which provided for the enlistment of young men who were attending the high and continuation schools and the collegiate institutes in preparation for the examination by the following June for admission to the normal schools, and the faculties of education and who desired to enlist for overseas service in the present war.

One important factor is the definite requirement of an examination prior to Easter, 1917. On certain conditions the ministers will, after next Easter, grant candidates exemption from examinations of June, 1917, with the certificates concerned.

## TODAY'S CASUALTIES

**Killed in Action**  
Lance Corp. S. Hare, Brighton.  
**Dangerously Ill**  
W. R. Bridges, Port Hope  
**Wounded**  
R. A. Clarke, Coe Hill  
F. W. Roberts, Port Hope  
W. E. Allen, Bancroft  
W. A. Blaind, Toronto, formerly of Belleville

## WILL BE REMOVED TO LONDON

Major Percy K. Ketcheson, of the 80th battalion who was wounded in action some time ago at the battle of the Somme will be removed to London, England as soon as he is able to stand the journey. He is still in a hospital in France suffering with a fractured knee and an injury to the back

## DEATH.

**MIRON.**—On Oct. 25th, at her residence, 3rd Concession Murray Township, Catharine St. Gormain, beloved wife of Chas. Miron.  
Funeral Saturday at 9 a.m. from St. Peter-in-Chains. Interment at Catholic Cemetery.

## "SAFETY FIRST" WITH FIRE ARMS.

Each year the shooting season records a long list of accidents due to carelessness of hunters in the forest and in the use of firearms. A gun going off accidentally and killing the owner, climbing fences with the gun loaded and cocked, or shooting at a companion in mistake for an animal are stereotyped causes. With the knowledge of the danger of handling firearms, it is surely incumbent upon hunters to exercise every precaution and keep continually before them the motto "safety first."

## ARRIVES AT QUEBEC

Mr. Charles Walters received a telegram this morning from his brother Pte. Roy Walters, who has been invalided home, announcing his arrival at Quebec. Roy is expected to visit Belleville. He left the West with a mounted rifle unit and went through every engagement from December to June last.

# Men's \$15.00 Suits

This is a popular price for Men's Suits. When we saw last season that all kinds of wools were going to be dear, we bought everything at old prices, we could lay our hands on, styles do no change much on Men's Suits, and we were safe in laying in large quantities. We packed them away and held them. Now we are in a position to sell you as good a \$15 Suit as you ever bought.

This also applies to Overcoats. We advise you to buy early Before prices get broken.



## OAK HALL

## APPEAL FOR THE FARMERS' BOYS

Needed in the Ranks of Canadian Army, Says Mrs. Parsons

**BANQUET TO CHEESEMEN**

Cheese Board Red Cross Societies Entertained Members of Cheese Board.

Some of the plenty, with which Providence has blessed this district this autumn was partaken of by the members of the Belleville Cheese Board, who were guests of the ladies of the Red Cross and Patriotic Society at a banquet on Saturday afternoon in the basement of the Parish Hall of St. Thomas' Church.

The ladies who have been working, like Penelope of the Greek legend, for the troops at the front, supplying comforts, socks, clothing, mittens, pillows and all manner of hospital supplies were desirous that the cheese board who supply the funds for the purchase of materials, should see the results of their labor. Invitations had accordingly been sent and at one o'clock on Saturday the guests reached the hall. They found spread before their eyes in array the comforts destined for the soldiers in France. Seventeen branches were represented in the congregation and the gifts of each were distinguished. Red Cross emblems hung on the walls of the parish house.

After the singing of "O Canada," in which the ladies of the societies and the members of the cheese board joined, Mayor Ketcheson extended a few words of welcome to the visitors from the surrounding district on behalf of Mrs. S. D. Lester, president and Mrs. J. A. McFee, secretary. "I wish," said the mayor, "to express my pleasure in welcoming you to the parish hall of St. Thomas' church, which has been given freely as headquarters for patriotic and Red Cross work since the war began. We know of the handiwork the ladies have been doing. The members of the cheese board will see the work which you have been carrying on. You will continue in the work until this terrible war comes to an end. We are determined to win the war not only for ourselves but for the civilized world. The work you are doing will help us in this aim." The mayor then invited the visitors to the dining room, for luncheon.

The workers in the societies had prepared a sumptuous banquet for the guests and the result spoke volumes for the cuisines of the surrounding district. The choicest viands and desserts were partaken of with intense pleasure. The tables were served by members of the various branches in a manner reflecting credit upon the domestic department of the country homes.

Mrs. Parsons who holds honorary rank in the 235th battalion, now in Belleville, delivered an impassioned address to the farming representatives in behalf of the enlistment of their sons. She praised the work of the Belleville Cheese Board for giving of their means. This is one way of sacrifice. But last year's giving will not be adequate this year. "Our men at the front appreciate what the Red Cross has done." We are living in wonderful times.

The great question today is "what of the farmer's boy, the son of the farm?" "We will produce and feed the army of fighters," the farmers say. The purpose of patriotism and production was misunderstood in some ways. It did not mean increased acreage, but greater production per acre. Science which prevents rust and blight of crops would result in patriotic production. Last year's crops was the largest in Canada's history. But God gave the increase the farmer assisted in the production where did the crop go to? We did not count on the submarine warfare. There is a great deal of grain stored up in the west, then say enough to last three years.

"We need the farmers' sons now. A year ago, I would not have asked the farmer boy to enlist, but a change has come. It is going to take all the man power this country possesses to bring peace to this land. Germany has now twice the territory in Europe she possessed at the opening of war. She has been preparing for years. We could not see the danger. Today we are paying the price. You cannot starve the foe out, as Germany does not ask luxuries. The military age stops in Germany not at 45 years but at 55 and even 60. Young boys come out in Germany. The work in Germany is done by the women and children. "You can't starve a country where the men fight and the women work for the glory of the fatherland.

To bankrupt Germany will be difficult. There is no escape from the German army except in the case of the only sons of widows or artists. Germany would laugh at a recruiting meeting as insane. Germany has a million men coming of military age every year. She has already by drastic measures got four million men more than when she started war. Do not minimize the power of the enemy. Our country calls "Come Out." The half million of Canadians will not be all. We have 1,700,000 men of eligible age in Canada. We can give an extra half million. Who is to give the men? That is the sacrifice that must be made. The enemy is unprincipled, devilish. God, right and freedom we believe are on our side.

Mrs. Parsons asked "Men do you owe anything?" Freedom has been handed down to you. It must be kept at the price of your sons. Can you give them?"

"Give of the boys in your home. See how you can arrange so that you can sacrifice and make the path plain for those who can go. See in Hastings if this county can not give every man I speak for the 235th battalion.

good men, good officers, one third or one quarter of the men having discharge papers, yet called back into the ranks. The great thing is, "Men come out, give us your support and that great blessing in your home—your son."

Venerable Archdeacon Beamish and President James McMullen of the cheese board moved a resolution of thanks to Mrs. Parsons.

The hospitality and good work of the ladies were remembered in a vote of thanks, which was heartily and unanimously adopted.

The financial statement of the Cheese Board Red Cross was presented by Mr. John Elliott, the treasurer.

## LATE JOHN MARSHALL

James Marshall, who held the position of roadmaster with the Grand Trunk Railway for many years, passed away on Saturday at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Chas. Gibson. He had been living a retired life for some time and was two weeks ago taken seriously ill.

He was born at Hazel Bank, Scotland, 77 years ago, and was an honorary member of Camp Rob Roy, S.O. S., Belleville. He was a member of the Masonic order and in 1866 turned out to the defence of Canada. He was a Presbyterian.

Mourning his loss are four sons — Guy of Jersey City, New Jersey; Jas. of Portsmouth, Virginia; Thomas of St. Paul and Robert of Francoona, Manitoba and two daughters, Mrs. Chas. Gibson, Belleville and Mrs. Jno. Munnings of Ondon.

## WELL KNOWN FARMER DIES

James McPherson Succumbed to Stroke on Saturday

James McPherson, a well known farmer of the Third Concession of Sidney township died on Saturday evening at his home after a few days' illness as the result of a stroke. He was born in Donegal, Ireland, in 1859 and came to Canada thirty-five years ago, settling in Sidney, where he was known as a successful agriculturist. He was a Methodist in religion. Mourning his loss are two sons, J. A. and J. W. and three daughters, Mabel, Violet and Kathleen of Sidney.

## RAISED OVER \$10,000

Amount of Cheese Board Red Cross and Patriotic Fund

Over ten thousand dollars has been raised by the Belleville Cheese Board Red Cross and Patriotic Society as follows: 1914, \$4,000; 1915, \$3,000; 1916, over \$3,000. Such was the statement made on Saturday by Mr. John Elliott, treasurer before the cheese board members and Red Cross Workers.

Rev. Capt. Clarke was in Bowmanville yesterday where he conducted the evening service at the Methodist church of which he is the pastor.

ESTABLISHED

# Wilson

Striking Run

THE BILIN

(Special to T)

TORONTO, Nov. 2.—Public interest has been excited by decisions of the Privy Council on a billing question.

There were two decisions before the Privy Council on the validity of Regulation 17, the teaching of French and the status of the Commission, established in 1915.

On the first question is that the regulation of the Legislative Council is in force, and that the teaching of French in the province, public schools, was unconstitutional at the second point has decided that the Ottawa School which took from the trustees the management of the schools, was unconstitutional, therefore not allowed.

The Government has increasing signs of betraying themselves, government is so utterly impossible for any firmly fixed point. The difference is all able when contrasted with the success of Sir James is something almost wreck of the Conservative organization in this province come and in the Conserv. in Ontario is rapid.

Nowhere is the than on the prohibitory most skillful prophetic cast what the membership will think about next.

During the South campaign, the statement was against Prime Minister him has staid since his doration to a winning candidate. The Toronto boat still more his famous "ear speech, in which he "friend Ferguson."

Now there is and wheel, Ferguson is "the temperance act without varying on the war ends." Pec "What will the next?"

If there is any likes it is a government is neither eous, and their brethren

# WILSON MANY

Reversal of Last Outlook Gives Returns Co

NEW YORK voting appear Hughes' majority for Wilson in the figures on the electoral votes

The doubtfuls, Kansas, Missouri, Washington, West these states are rally to favor